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**RESPONSE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents
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Application Number	10/080,879
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Examiner	Bernard Souw
Group Art	2881
Title	<i>Apparatus and method for ion production enhancement</i>

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated November 25, 2003, for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before February 25, 2004. A petition for a two month extension of time is filed herewith. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In view of the remarks set forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.